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Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 10 line 2 as follows:

Referring now to Fig. 1, therein is shown a system in accordance with this invention and including a plurality of calling parties 2 that are networked to a plurality of called parties 4, of which one such called party is depicted. The system also includes a call routing processor 6 that generates contact information for contact events by monitoring calls placed by the calling parties 2 to a called party 4, and a presence processor 8 that generates presence information for the calling parties 2 by monitoring and determining the presence of the calling parties 2. The system further includes a data terminal 15 which includes a dynamic contact list display 10 for each called party 4 and a data terminal ~~15~~ 17 which includes a dynamic contact list display 10 for each calling party 4.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 10, as follows:

It should be understood that if a single entity has been the target of a contact event as a called party 4 that unsuccessfully received a call from a ~~called~~ calling party 2, and the source of a contact event as a calling party 2 that unsuccessfully initiated a call with a called party 4, then the single entity is both a called party 4 and a calling party 2, respectively. In other words, a single entity is not limited to being a calling party 2 or a calling party 4, but may be both. It should also be understood that the call routing processor 6 and the presence processor 8 may simultaneously generate contact and presence information for multiple contact events and calling parties, respectively. It should further be understood that the functions of the call routing processor 6 and presence processor 8 may be implemented within a single processor, or implemented by a plurality of processors, servers, or agents that perform the call routing and presence functions.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 16 with the following:

In order to ensure an appropriate level of privacy for a calling party 2, the presence processor 8 may permit each calling party to opt out of monitoring by the presence management processor ~~8~~ 28. The option to opt out may be set as the default choice for a calling party 2, or the calling party 2 may opt out of presence monitoring by the presence monitoring management processor ~~20~~ 28 based on certain factors including a call-by-call, called-party-by-called party, or time-period basis. Thus, although there is no front-end limitation that requires a called party 4 to know the identity of each calling party 2 ahead of time in order to monitor the calling party's presence status, there is still the ability for the calling party 2 to selectively opt out in those situations where it wishes to maintain its privacy, but also the ability to allow previously unknown called parties 4 to monitor the presence status of previously unknown calling parties 2.